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OUTLINE OF THE PRESENTATION

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What are the JAA?

- The JAA are a co-operative body for Aviation safety of 36 Members Authorities.
- Scope:
 - Design & manufacture; Operations and Maintenance of Aircraft.
 - Licensing of Flight Crew Personnel.
- Future: Establishment of the European Aviation Safety Agency (2003)



What is EUROCONTROL?

- The European Organisation for the Safety of Air Navigation: 31 Member States have signed the revised Convention.
- Scope: ATM "gate to gate"
- Future perspective: The draft "Single Sky Directives".



Co-operation JAA/EUROCONTROL

- Agreement for Co-operation (1996):
 - Provide a working basis to work together on CNS/ATM issues
 - Ensure that aircraft airworthiness and operational requirements are co-ordinated with airspace and ATM developments



Why a joint Task-Force?

- A joint Task-force is justified by the close relation between ATM issues and Aircraft issues in the case of UAV.
- The need for regulatory work was identified both within JAA and EUROCONTROL



Terms of Reference (1)

- Develop a concept for UAVs regulations:
 - Design & Manufacture and maintenance of UAVs.
 - Operations of UAVs (in particular approval of operators)
 - Rules of the Air
 - Security issues
- Concept ?
 - Outline and guiding principles for such regulations
 - Not draft regulations!



Terms of Reference (2)

- Objective of regulating UAVs:
 - To protect third parties airborne and on the ground
 - Not address failure of the mission.



Terms of reference (3)

- Concept to be based on:
 - An identification of the various UAV technologies and an identification of possible use.
 - Consider the creation of categories
 - Identify lower mass limit for regulation at European level
 - Review existing material (Existing or draft standards; Research studies)
 - Consider the use of a total system approach



Terms of Reference (4)

- Particular attention to:
 - Approval of operator issues
 - Legal issues in relation to ICAO
 Convention Article 8
 - Terminology issues



Terms of Reference (5)

- Composition of the Task-Force:
 - In accordance with JAR-11(JAA Regulatory and Related Procedures)
 - In accordance with EUROCONTROL requirements for Stakeholders involvement



Terms of reference (6)

- Deliverables:
 - A concept with its justification and recommendations for future work
- Time scales:
 - 12 months after the initial meeting from the Task-force



Milestones

- JAA Executive Board agreed on April 9 the set-up of the Task-Force.
- Calling notice went out very recently
- First meeting of the Task-Force scheduled for September 24-25
- Concept available: September 2003



CONCLUSION

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